

Abstract

The digital camera having a taking lens, a
finder for viewing light transmitted through the taking
lens, an image sensing element for optoelectrically
converting light which passes through the taking lens, a
light splitting means capable of changing transmittance
and dividing the light transmitted through the taking
lens to the image sensing element and the finder, a light
splitting means driving means for driving the light
splitting means to a position to split the light between
the image sensing element and the viewfinder when viewing
and driving the light splitting means to retract a
position for directing the light only to the image
sensing element during photography, and a control means
for controlling the light splitting means to a semi-
transparent state to direct light to the image sensing
element and the viewfinder when viewing and controlling
the light splitting means to a blocking state during
photography.